

Public Law 95-579
95th Congress

An Act

Nov. 2, 1978

[S. 2247]

Amending section 312 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Immigration and
Nationality Act,
amendment.
Eugenia Cortes,
relief.
8 USC 1423.
8 USC 1401.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in the administration of the Immigration and Nationality Act, Eugenia Cortes shall be held and considered to be within the purview of the first proviso to section 312(1) of that Act and may be naturalized upon compliance with all of the other requirements of title III of that Act.

SEC. 2. That no financial or other consideration shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with the enactment of this Act, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined \$1,000.

SEC. 3. The first proviso contained in paragraph (1) of section 312 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1423) is amended by striking out "or to any person who, on the effective date of this Act, is over fifty years of age and has been living in the United States for periods totaling at least twenty years" and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "or to any person who, on the date of the filing of his petition for naturalization as provided in section 334 of this Act, is over fifty years of age and has been living in the United States for periods totaling at least twenty years subsequent to a lawful admission for permanent residence".

8 USC 1445.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORT No. 95-1683 (Comm. on the Judiciary).
SENATE REPORT No. 95-897 (Comm. on the Judiciary).
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 124 (1978):
 May 23, considered and passed Senate.
 Oct. 14, considered and passed House, amended.
 Oct. 15, Senate concurred in House amendment.